# Age-Friendly DC Task Force Meeting

## Department of Employment Services

## 10:00am – 12:00pm

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| **Role/Domain** | **Member** | **Attended** | **Stand In** | **Attended** |
| Co-Chair | HyeSook Chung | x | Jay Melder | x |
| Co-Chair | Kim Alfonso | x | None |  |
| Outdoor Spaces | Eric Shaw |  | Evelyn Kasongo |  |
| Outdoor Spaces | Keith Anderson |  | Patrice Jones | x |
| Outdoor Spaces | Victoria Lanteigne |  | None |  |
| Transportation | Jeffrey Marootian |  | Tyra Redus | x |
| Transportation | Wendy Klancher |  | None |  |
| Housing | Polly Donaldson | x | Terrance Laney |  |
| Housing | Katrina Polk |  | None |  |
| Social Participation | Charon Hines |  | Jeanne Locher | x |
| Social Participation | Winona Scott |  | Shannon Redd |  |
| Respect/Inclusion | Matthew McCollough | x | Julia Wolhandler |  |
| Respect/Inclusion | Ron Swanda | x |  |  |
| Civic Participation & Employment | Mary Terrell | x | None |  |
| Civic Participation & Employment | Dr. Imani Woody | x | None |  |
| Communication | Barney Krucoff |  | Delano Squires | x |
| Communication | Susan Donley | x | None |  |
| Health Services | Dr. LaQuandra Nesbitt |  | Sharon Mebane | x |
| Health Services | Dr. Sandra Lawson |  | None |  |
| Emergency Prep | DM Kevin Donahue |  | Christina Murphy |  |
| Emergency Prep | Linda Mathes |  | Paul Carden |  |
| Abuse, Neglect & Fraud | Laura Green Zeilinger |  | Dr. Sheila Jones |  |
| Abuse, Neglect & Fraud | Denise Roper |  | None |  |
| Financial Security | Roger Ferguson |  | Christina Cutlip | x |
| Financial Security | Courtney Snowden |  | None |  |
| Lifelong Learning | Romaine Thomas | x | None |  |
| Lifelong Learning | Ahnna Smith |  | Ramin Taheri |  |
| Public Safety | Kevin Donahue |  |  |  |
| Public Safety | No community appointee |  |  |  |
| Caregiving | Gail Hunt | x | None |  |
| Caregiving | Laura Newland |  | Christian Barrera | x |
| Subject Matter Expert –Business Age-Friendly Businesses | Nathan Regan | x | None |  |
| Subject Matter Expert - Academic | Joe McDonald |  | None |  |
| Subject Matter Expert - Philanthropy | John Feather |  | None |  |

1. **Call to order –**At 10:15 amDM HyeSook Chung called the meeting to order with a quorum present*.*
2. **Introductions of those present, including members of the public.**
3. **Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Update**

The Age-Friendly DC Task Force have until August 2nd to complete recommendations for the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan. The purpose of the following pillar-by-pillar, domain-by-domain reports within Age-Friendly pillars was to enable all Domain Task Force committees to compare notes on the status of each domain’s recommendations.

There are three aspects to Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Plan recommendations.

1. Relevant agency Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and Performance Objectives (POs) review/update to show the relationship to the agency’s role in achieving the Age-Friendly DC aim to make the city an easier place to grow older. In most cases this is as easy as adding “Age-Friendly DC” and collecting agency data by age categories.
2. With the ten continuing domains, review and update 2012-2017 Age-Friendly DC strategies for the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan
3. Establish progress indicators for which data are obtainable or identify data needed to make cross-city comparisons between 2018 and 2023. As much as possible recommend indicators that can be compared with other cities or USA averages.

**Pillar 1: Built Environment**

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| **Domain** | **KPIs and POs Review/Update** | **2012-2017 strategies/2018-2023 updates/adds** | **Progress Indicators/ Metrics Established** | **Community Initiatives** |
| 1. Outdoor Spaces & Bldgs | Incomplete | DPR report on 2012-2017 strategies |  |  |
| 2. Transportation | KPIs and POs integrated with Age-Friendly DC aims | DDOT report on 2012-2017 strategies |  |  |
| 3. Housing | KPIs and POs integrated with Age-Friendly DC aims | DHCD report on 2012-2017 strategies |  |  |

**1. Outdoor Spaces and Buildings**

The report featured Age-Friendly DC some data on the status Age-Friendly DC 2012-2017 Strategies that have occurred within facilities run by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

* 12 playgrounds renovated for ADA compliance and accessibility, since 2015 -> in all 8 wards EXCEPT Ward 2- ALL ADA compliant and accessible
* Standalone restrooms and standing fountains have been added- also benches

**2.Transportation**

--Sustainable fund for sidewalk repairs- emulate roadway plan on DDOT website for sidewalks, including adding pervious concrete, sign replacements, accessibility at bus stops, night visibility

--Next steps

* continue progress on 2012-2017 strategies,
* connect KPIs to Age Friendly strategies and strengthen relationships with WABA and Age Friendly
* Continue to collect data for transparency purposes: ex. Progress on requests from DC residents for repairs

1. **Housing**

The report on 2012-2017 Strategies

* 588 units added for older adults and 459 additional subsidized housing units
  1. Market is looking at developing more housing welcoming to older adults
  2. Healthcare Finance Agency- collaboration with them on Assisted Living Services- work with Medicaid to create affordable assisted living- promoted by Age-Friendly DC
  3. Safe at Home Program- successful- DCOA self-funded (from Mayor) coordinates with DHCD and DCOA
  4. Shared housing- Silvernest- promote for housing- DC govt. liability and landlord tenant law issue- need answers to this questions

**Pillar 2: Changing Attitudes about Growing Older**

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| 4.Social Participation | Incomplete | Reviewed not updated | Incomplete | Homesharing |
| 5.Respect & Social Inclusion | Incomplete | Draft completed; ready for review | Incomplete |  |
| 6. Civic Participation & Employment | DOES collects data by age | Reviewed not updated | Decrease unemployment among 50+ year old residents | Southern Ave assisted living – train Ward 8 prospects for employment who live within walking distance and Leading Age long term care workforce training |
| 7.Communicaton & Information | Incomplete | Draft underway | Incomplete | Pilot AFCD newsletter in partnership with the Beacon Newspaper |

1. **Social Participation**:
   1. Increase access to leisure and other social activities with other generations and peers
   2. Focused on outreach and engagement: different events and activities
   3. Work with Office on Aging
   4. Fresh Start Wednesday Workshops
   5. Outreach in Chinatown and with other groups with leadership in the Mayor’s office
   6. Add escort service in SERVEDC, in collaboration with high schools to have students escort older adults to ANC meetings as well as civic and citizen association meetings
2. **Respect and Social Inclusion**
   1. Revised documents and wants to send it out to everyone in need of approval
   2. Guidelines for committees to work together were distributed (attached)
   3. Volunteerism can be assigned to every domain- make a larger committee within the task force to work on these strategies
   4. Local business participation in employment and senior outings
   5. Promote more relationships & collaboration within the committee
3. **Civic Participation & Employment**

* 1. Expansion of definition of participation
  2. Partner with AARP & DOES
  3. Exceeded performance measures for back to work 50+
  4. Enhancing job development for older adults- Rotary Club partnership
  5. Possible Initiative: Age-Friendly DC access coordinator in each agency
  6. Southern Avenue proposed assisted living project: temp. Partnership with

Developer for both construction jobs and later both management and front line

positions for 50+ year old residents living in the neighborhood

1. **Communication and Information**
   1. Update Age-Friendly DC Livability Survey data survey on how DC residents who are 50+ years old get information
   2. Initiative with community: AFDC Community Newsletter in partnership with the Beacon Newspapers with information for older adults in print and online
   3. Initiative with Mayor’s Office on Community Relations and DCOA ambassadors, “Age-Friendly DC Community Team”
   4. Pilot of  newsletter- develop KPI’s and strategies through this
   5. Initiative tech training- reboot Cyber Seniors Program or program with the same aim-

**Pillar 3: Lifelong Health & Security**

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| 8. Community Support & Health Services |  |  |  |  |
| 9. Emergency Preparedness & Resilience |  |  |  |  |
| 10. Abuse, Neglect & Fraud |  |  |  |  |
| 11. Financial Security |  |  |  |  |
| 12. Lifelong Learning |  |  |  |  |
| 13. Public Safety |  |  |  |  |
| 14. Caregiving |  |  |  |  |

1. **Age-Friendly DC Subject Matter Experts Reports**
   1. **Philanthropy** John Feather, President and CEO of Grantmakers in Aging, must take a summer break. He will return in September to help Age-Friendly DC to help bring philanthropy into the effort to carry out community initiatives.
   2. **Business** Nathan Regan, President of Infin-iti North America, said:

The Age-Friendly Business initiative wants to identify 100 Age-Friendly Businesses in 2018. Members were enthusiastic and added:

* Age-Friendly Businesses are good for all including children in strollers and persons living with disabilities.
* There is potential value, through added business, from becoming an Age-Friendly Business, as the business receives additional promotion from becoming designated.

1. **New Business**

**The Role of Domain-specific Task Force Committees**

The work of the Task Force is developed by domain-specific task force committees more than half of which will have met by the end of March. Task force committees are composed of members of community organizations, interested persons, or representatives of the 55 agencies already working on Age-Friendly DC. Each domain task force committee has two assignments to complete by August 2nd.

1. Identify how DC agency Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and Performance Objectives (POs) relate/promote age-friendliness. Add, if necessary, age-friendly-aimed language that DC agencies can adopt. See current agency KPIs and POs, attached. See domain aims for guidance.

2. Highlight and/or initiate community projects that are expected to transform DC into an easier city in which to grow older.

Each domain committee is going to meet in each quadrant of the city in public libraries. The public will be invited to observe and comment. Attracting participation will necessitate promotion.

A template for structuring Task Force Committee meetings will be provided to help the Task Force to structure the resulting task force committee recommendations into the 2018-2023 strategic plan.

Domain committees must select methods of measuring progress.

How to define success? Deputy Mayor Chung pointed out that Age-Friendly DC outcomes, including the impact on residents, are going to be hard to measure. Task force committees should keep that in mind as assignments are carried out because the metrics chosen will be used to evaluate progress in 2023.

Host and AARP-DC director, Louis Davis, noted that there are 210 Age-Friendly City aspirants across the country, some of which may offer good examples for measuring progress.

**Highlights from the Mayor’s FY19 Budget, related to residents living with disabilities and 60+ year old residents.** See Deputy Mayor Chung’s notes, attached.

Regarding housing initiatives in the Mayor’s FY19 Budget, CM Bonds was pleased with the amount proposed to be allocated to affordable housing for 60+ year old residents and young families. She hopes that the private sector will become more involved to address DC’s need for affordable housing.

Finding accessible row housing to age in place was noted as challenging. Other jurisdictions (GA and AZ) have regulated the new construction to increase accessible housing. Realtors in DC are receiving training to more consistently note housing units placed in the market that are accessible.

**Other Issues Discussed**

The importance of addressing mental and behavioral health issues among 60+ year old residents was highlighted. DC is leading the nation with focus on mental health among youth…who will grow older and may still be DC residents when they are 60 and over.

Addressing the issues of older adults is a city focus (for example, Mayor’s Office on Community Relations and Services).

Techno-literacy is important. AARP—DC’s Mentor Up Program brings high school students together with older adults.

1. **Old Business**

Public comments were requested.

Next Age-Friendly DC Task Force meeting? August 2nd10-12 at AARP-DC, 100 M St SE.

1. **VII. Adjournment** – At noon DM Chung asked for and received a motion to adjourn.